## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## Listing of Claims:

#### 1.-36. (Canceled)

- 37. (Currently Amended) A composition for detecting a breast cancer cell in a biological sample of a patient, said composition comprising:
  - (a) a first oligonucleotide; and
  - (b) a second oligonucleotide;

wherein said first oligonucleotide <u>hybridizes</u> to the <u>polynucleotide provided</u> in <u>SEO ID NO: 7</u>, or the <u>complement thereof</u>, and said second oligonucleotide hybridizes to a first polynucleotide, or the <u>complement thereof</u>, and to a second<u>the</u> polynucleotide <u>provided</u> in <u>SEO ID NO: 75</u>, or the complement thereof, respectively; wherein said first polynucleotide and said second polynucleotide are selected from the group consisting of the polynucleotides depicted in <u>SEO ID NO: 75</u> and <u>SEO ID NO: 7</u>.

# 38.-39. (Canceled)

- 40. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 37 wherein said oligonucleotides are selected from the group consisting of oligonucleotides as disclosed in SEQ ID NO: 58 and 55.
- (Currently Amended) A composition for detecting a breast cancer cell in a biological sample of a patient, said composition comprising:
  - (a) a first oligonucleotide pair; and
  - (b) a second oligonucleotide pair;

wherein said first oligonucleotide pair <u>hybridizes</u> and said second oligonucleotide pair <u>hybridizes</u> and said second oligonucleotide <u>provided</u> in <u>SEQ ID NO: 7</u>, or the complement thereof, and <u>the second oligonucleotide hybridizes</u> to <u>a secondthe</u> polynucleotide <u>provided</u> in <u>SEQ ID NO: 75</u>, or the complement thereof, <u>respectively</u>; wherein said first polynucleotide and said second polynucleotide are selected from the group consisting of the polynucleotides depicted in <u>SEQ ID NO: 75</u> and <u>SEQ ID NO: 7</u>.

## 42.-43. (Canceled)

- 44. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 41 wherein said oligonucleotides are selected from the group consisting of oligonucleotides as disclosed in SEQ ID NOs: 53, 54, 56, and 57.
- 45. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising an oligonucleotide primer or probe of between 15 and 100 nucleotides that comprises an oligonucleotide selected from the group consisting of oligonucleotides depicted in SEQ ID NOs: \$354-58.
- 46. (Currently Amended) <u>A composition comprising an oligonucleotide primer or probe</u> The composition of claim 45 wherein the oligonucleotide primer or probe is selected from the group consisting of oligonucleotides depicted in SEQ ID NOs: 53-58.